

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

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Oneidas bringing several hundred bags of corn to Washington's starving army at Valley Forge, after the colonists had consistently refused to aid them



UGWA DEMOLUM YATEHE
Because of the help of this Oneida Chief in cementing a friendship between the six nations and the Colony of Pennsylvania a new nation, the United States, was made possible

RESOLUTION # 12-29-93-C

SUPPORT OF RICHARD G. HILL FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council, and

WHEREAS, Indian Nations are sovereign governments with the responsibility to meet the needs of the constituents, and

WHEREAS, Indian Nations have long suffered under federal policies which have resulted in the highest unemployment rates, highest suicide rates, lowest per capita income, etc., and

WHEREAS, a primary reason for such consistently high and dismal statistics is the historic absence of meaningful resources with which to pursue economic development, provide meaningful and sustained employment, and offer culturally sensitive and appropriate support services, and

WHEREAS, many Indian Nations have now begun to turn the economic corner by virtue of having established gaming as the first viable answer to economic deprivation, and

WHEREAS, gaming is opening the doors to diversity of Indian economies and the ability to become self-sufficient, and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose and intent of all Indian Nations pursuing economic development through gaming that quality controls and security measures be a hallmark of their operations, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe has been involved in the regulation of both Class II and Class III games as is defined in the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe has determined that governmental self-regulation of all of it's activities, especially the gaming enterprise, is a primary act of sovereignty and that the integrity of this vital source of tribal revenue is based upon strict regulation and that such regulation is best implemented by Tribal Governments at the ground level, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe has dedicated itself to stringent standards of self-regulation of its gaming enterprise and has urged other Tribes to do the same, and

WHEREAS, the National Indian Gaming Association is an integral component in the regulation of both Class II and Class III Indian Gaming, and

WHEREAS, the individuals who comprise the National Indian Gaming Commission must therefore be knowledgeable of the governmental nature of both Indian Nations and national level concerns, and

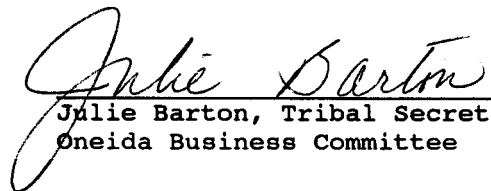
WHEREAS, Richard G. Hill, a former chairman of one of the most successful gaming tribes and standing chairman of the National Indian Gaming Association, has the knowledge, ability, and integrity to ensure that the sovereignty, accountability, and success through quality of Indian gaming can be the cornerstone of our economic future;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin hereby endorses and supports the candidacy of Richard G. Hill for member of the National Indian Gaming Commission, and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin calls upon the good offices of President William Jefferson Clinton to appoint Richard G. Hill to this most important post.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. 6 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 29th day of December, 1993; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for; 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.


Julie Barton, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee